

## **PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES – MARCH 3, 2014**

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 6:00 p.m. at the Tell City Depot as was duly advertised. Commissioner Thomas Hauser and Bill Amos were in attendance. Commissioner Randy Kleaving was unable to attend the meeting. Also in attendance was County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg and County Attorney, Chris Goffinet. A media representative from the "Perry County News" attended the meeting.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

### **CLAIMS & PAYROLL**

Bill made a motion to approve claims that were dated March 3, 2014 and payroll that was distributed on February 3, 2014. Tom seconded the motion, and motion carried 2-0. The Commissioners signed claims dockets in the amounts of \$327,167.45; \$115,381.82 for highway claims; and advances of \$1,477.32, \$260.00, \$154.61, and \$295.00 for a total of \$444,736.20 as presented. In addition, the payroll docket for the February 24<sup>th</sup> payroll was approved in the amount of \$122,382.74.

### **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST**

County Auditor, Connie Berger, presented the commissioners with an additional appropriation request from the Perry County Substance Committee for funds from the Drug Free Community Fund. She explained that the amount collected in Circuit Court fees in 2013 was \$23,916.70 and would be used to allow grants. The funds requested will be distributed in the following way: \$7,972.23 for Prevention and Education; \$7,972.23 for Treatment and Invention and \$7,972.24 for Law Enforcement Justice. Bill made the motion to approve the request and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

### **PERRY COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITOR BUREAU, INC.**

Executive Director of the Perry County CVB, Bev Minto, explained that the Perry County Convention, Recreation, & Visitor's Promotion Commission was established in 1995 to create and collect an innkeeper's tax to promote the development and growth of the convention, recreation and visitor industry in Perry County. Bev also explained that the Perry County Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. was created and contracted for the purpose of doing the business of development, operations, and programs promoting tourism, conventions and visitors and special events. She said that these are 2 different boards and they each hold a meeting every month. The main purpose of the boards is to market Perry County through print ads, magazines, and bill boards. She stated that one of the main events that bring in visitors is the fishing tournaments that are held in Perry County. Bev stated that the county's hotels have 192 rooms and that is not enough to meet the demand. If business travelers cannot find a room in Perry County then they have to stay in hotels in other cities around the area. She stated that additional hotels would be great for the county, because it would bring more money into our county.

### **ANIMAL ISSUES**

Jim Carter attended the meeting to ask the commissioners to ask for an appropriation of \$6,000.00 to hire a contracted person to haul dogs or cats from locations that are dispatched by the police dispatch, to an area designated by the Animal Control Board or a proper Perry County Authority. He also asked if he was able to find funding if the commissioners would support the \$6,000.00 request. Tom stated that it is hard to answer any questions without knowing all facts. Jim also asked the commissioners to consider changing the wording in the contract between the County and the Animal Shelter. He would like to see the wording in section 13(e) to include the words "except for those animals impounded or quarantined by the County Officials who have the authority by State and Local Laws". Jim stated that if the wording is changed then if an officer brings a dog or cat to the shelter they would have to accept the animal. Jim also stated that the shelter had added additional outer fencing to insure proper quarantine of animals.

### SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS WEEK

A proclamation for Severe Weather Preparedness Week scheduled for March 16-22, 2014 was presented to the commissioners by the county administrator on behalf of Emergency Management Director, Steve Hauser, who was unable to attend. She explained that on March 20, 2014 a statewide tornado warning exercise for the purpose of testing communication systems, equipment and procedures will be held. Bill made a motion to proclaim the week of March 16<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> as Severe Weather Preparedness week, and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

### MISCELLANEOUS

LETTER OF SUPPORT: A Letter of Support was presented to the commissioners from Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission. The letter stated that IN 15 Regional Planning Commission will be submitting on behalf of Perry County a CDBG planning grant application for the development of a Feasibility Study for Historic Preservation Improvements to the Perry County Museum. The county will not be required to invest any money in the grant. Bill made the motion to approve the Letter of Support and Tom seconded the motion.

CAN-CLAY PROPERTY TAXES: County Attorney, Chris, Goffinet, reported that an agreement had been signed between the County Treasurer, County Auditor and Can-Clay Corporation. The agreement states that Can-Clay will pay \$25,000.00 by the 28<sup>th</sup> day of each month starting in March of 2014. The payments will be applied to the back taxes and the hope is that Can-Clay will pay the current taxes.

Teresa announced the next Board of Commissioners meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 18, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at the Tell City Junior Senior High School.

The meeting ended in open session at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes approved this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April 2014.

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Thomas J. Hauser  
President

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Bill Amos

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Randy Kleaving

*Minutes prepared by:  
Connie A. Berger, Perry County Auditor*